

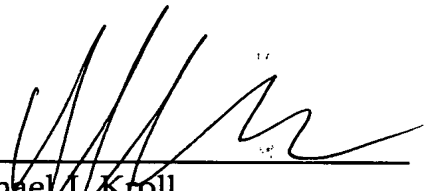
**REMARKS**

The Office Action dated 30 March 1999 has been carefully reviewed and considered.

Claims 1 through 39 are pending in the application. The claims are subject to restriction. Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I (Claims 1 through 25), drawn to a method of oral sampling, classified in class 600, subclass 573. Accordingly, the claims of Group II (Claims 26 through 39) are withdrawn from consideration as drawn to a non-elected invention.

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